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Soviet Citizen Is Sentenced On Charge of Spying for U.S.

MOSCOW, Aug. 22 (Reuters) — A Soviet citizen has been sentenced to a long prison term for spying for the United States, the official press agency Tass reported today. The United States Embassy, as is usual with this type of report, declined comment.

The agency identified the man as A. Ivanov and said the case involved several members of the United States Embassy staff, who were not named.

When Mr. Ivanov was arrested, Tass said, Soviet counterintelligence agents seized instructions from the C.I.A. for collecting information and maintaining secret communications.